

Spider-Man: Into the Spider:Verse Using Your Gifts

Think of a "Mountain-top" moment in your relationship with Jesus. When did you feel closest to him or most spiritual?

Can you relate to Elijah's feelings after he has the huge success against a Pagan King and kills all of these false prophets on Mount Carmel, he then feels like this: 1 Kings 19:1-18

You ever felt like giving up because you weren't seeing the results you wanted?

Do you know the gifts God has given you? This is not an exhaustive list of gifts but see if you can pick something from this list that Paul gives to the church in Rome

Romans 12:6-11

In that passage from Romans, what things were listed as gifts and what things were for everyone to do no matter of gifting?

What is something that would stop you from using your gifts the way that God would want you to? (Fear? Lack of confidence? Too busy? Discouraged?)

In this faith journey it's really important to have realistic expectations. When you fail, that does not disqualify you from God's grace OR God's service.

Consider these verses: Jeremiah's call to faithless Israel in Jer 3:22 James' reminder in James 4:8 And Peter's response to the remorseful crowd on the day of Pentecost in Acts 2:37-39

If you haven't been following Jesus your whole life, it is easy to feel like you need more time, or that the major Christian jobs are for the more experienced. But a great theme from the movie Spider-Man: Into the Spider-Verse is that "We all have powers" given to us by God and intended for us to use to bless his Kingdom.

Add that to your prayers all this week: "God please show me my unique gifting and how you want me to use it right now."